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Classified By: Ambassador James M. Derham for reasons 1.4 (b&d).

(C) Embassy delivered ref a letter on Kosovo recognition to the MFA. Guatemalan Vice Foreign Minister Ibarra told us that the GOG is "at an impasse" on the question of Kosovo recognition, and wants to wait and see how European reactions develop. Ibarra said that if and when Guatemala does act, it would likely be in concert with other Central American governments, specifically those of Honduras and El Salvador, and perhaps Panama as well.

Derham